

**TOWN OF ASHFORD  
Conservation Commission  
5 Town Hall Road  
Ashford, CT. 06278**

**Minutes**

**Monday February 27, 2012 at 7:00PM**

**Ashford Town Hall**

**Attendance: Kevin Farrands, Gwen Haaland, Ray Fenn, Steve Morytko, Mike Gantick, Chris Liguore, Abbie Cadman, guest, and Loretta Wrobel**

- 1. Call to Order-7:00PM**
- 2. Approval of Minutes-none**
- 3. Approval of Treasurer's Report-none**  
**Correspondence and Announcements Publications received-Habitat passed out, Green Valley Connections-guide available online on GVI website. Sun. March 11 3pm Knowlton Hall Steve Rivicky discussing AG programs**
- 5. Presentations-none**
- 6. Member Reports and Projects-none**
- 7. New Business**
  - A. Abbie Cadman discussing NRCS-Office recently moved to Danielson. Contact Ray Covino 860 779-0557x102. NRCS consultant to farmers. Help them formulate management plans. Strictly volunteer program. Info sheets for numerous initiatives/ programs/plans such as Farm and Ranch Land Protection Program, Ag Management, WHIP, Ag Energy Management, Organic farming, EQIP, Seasonal High Tunnels and Wetlands Reserve. Help private landowners and land trusts. Farmland Restoration Program works with Dept of Ag to bring farms back into production. Programs have revolving end dates. Applications online or can call. Have specific professionals to help evaluate land. EQIP most popular program. Help with finding alternatives for energy use. Have soil survey on web including local important soils. Encourage landowners to investigate programs.**
  - B. Water Company Award-Aquarion offering awards end date for nominations May 1, non profits and students can be nominated**
- 8. Old Business**
  - A. Response from Jim Campiformio, tree warden- Wrobel read email, will send to members**
  - B. "The City Dark" Feb 3 well attended(over 100), 25 interested**
  - C. WCCC meeting on recycling-next time**
- 9. Public Comments-none**
- 10. Discussion of Agenda for Next Meeting March 26 Earth Day program**
- 11. Adjournment-8:30PM**

**Respectfully Submitted,  
Loretta Wrobel**